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c. 1907-1908

Princess Anne Pharmacy  
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The Princess Anne Pharmacy, formerly known as the Cohn Store Building, marks the southwest corner of the intersection of Prince William Street and Somerset Avenue in the center of Princess Anne. The prominent corner lot has been improved by a store since Lambert Hyland owned the property during the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. The two-story commercial block that houses the pharmacy on the first floor and apartments on the second is distinctive for its decorative brick cornice and series of arched second floor windows.

Rudolph S. and Edward Herrman Cohn purchased the corner lot from Mary A. Ross in November of 1907, and it is reasonable to believe the two-story brick structure was raised within the year. The store property, improved by a two-story frame building, had been formerly under the proprietorship of Benjamin F. Lankford, John L. Lankford, and William H. Ross.

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STATE Maryland		HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY	
COUNTY Somerset		INVENTORY S- 107	
TOWN Princess Anne	VICINITY	2. NAME Commercial Buildings	
STREET NO. Somerset Ave and Prince William Streets.		DATE OR PERIOD early 20th cent.	
ORIGINAL OWNER		STYLE	
ORIGINAL USE		ARCHITECT	
PRESENT OWNER		BUILDER	
PRESENT USE commercial		3. FOR LIBRARY OF CONGRESS USE	
WALL CONSTRUCTION brick			
NO. OF STORIES 2			
4. NOTABLE FEATURES, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND DESCRIPTION		OPEN TO PUBLIC yes	
<p>On each of the corners of Somerset Ave and Prince William Street, except the northwest corner, on which stands the Somerset County Courthouse, are two-story brick commercial buildings dating from the first decade of the twentieth century. These three composite structures have a certain architectural quality which is not constructed into today's buildings. Each of the buildings has a variety of detail which distinguished it from its neighbor, whether in the arching of the windows, the corbelling, or color of the brick. Recent rehabilitation of these structures have enhanced the beauty of Princess Anne and guaranteed their survival at least for the present. If in the future, demolition is contemplated, it is hoped that the quality of the structures will be reexamined and they will again be appraised worthy of preservation.</p>			
5. PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE		Endangered no	Interior Exterior good
6. LOCATION MAP (Plan Optional)			
7. PHOTOGRAPH			
3. PUBLISHED SOURCES (Author, Title, Pages) INTERVIEWS, RECORDS, PHOTOS, ETC.		9. NAME, ADDRESS AND TITLE OF RECORDER Michael Bourne Maryland Historical Trust  Summer, 1972  DATE OF RECORD	